



## RECAMP

Regional Enterprise  
Competitiveness  
and Access to  
Markets  
Programme

Improving competitiveness  
and market access of COMESA  
businesses in specific value chains

Domestication of regional laws and policies

## What is ACTESA?

The **Alliance for Commodity Trade in Eastern and Southern Africa (ACTESA)** aims to increase farmer productivity and incomes in the Eastern and Southern Africa region through trade in strategic agricultural commodities

Through **ACTESA, RECAMP** discusses seed laws and policies with the public and private sector to assist COMESA Member States in drafting national seed regulations. This is currently happening in Eswatini and Ethiopia.

In Tunisia, **RECAMP** is assisting the launch of the COMESA Seed Harmonisation Implementation Plan (COMSHIP).

Through **ACTESA, RECAMP** also assists in conducting public awareness campaigns for stakeholders in selected Member States to push for the ratification and domestication of harmonised COMESA seed trade regulations.



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## COMESA/ACTESA to Revive Regional Policy on Biotechnology and Biosafety



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### **Development of regional guidelines**

So far, **RECAMP** has developed two sets of guidelines, namely:

- 1.** The Implementation Strategy of the COMESA Local Content Framework. These Guidelines are to help Member States' Governments developing their National Local Content Policy Implementation Strategies.
- 2.** The COMESA Framework on Managing Industrial Parks and Special Economic Zones.

Ministers of Industry adopted the two documents during a Meeting of the Committee on Industry, held from 24-27 May 2021.

The COMESA Secretariat supported by RECAMP, will work with Member States to domesticate the Guidelines and Framework.

### **Compilation of position papers/policy briefs, identifying priorities and engaging with national and regional policy makers**

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“ **RECAMP has developed two sets of guidelines, to help Governments develop their National Local Content Policy Implementation Strategies** ”

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